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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 15, 2002, please amend the above
identified application as follows:

In the specification

At page 5, line 12

Typical additives which may be utilized in the inventive composition include
materials, such as, dimethyl polysiloxane, octamethylcyclotetresiloxane, anionic polyacrylate,
polyglycolethers, fumed silica, petroleum hydrocarbons, acrylic polymers, triethanolamine, bicyclic
oxazolidines, 1,2-benzisothiazolin-3-on, sodium hydroxide as well as combinations of these
ingredients.

At page 8, line 25

A pH meter was utilized capable of measuring the pH to 0.1 units or better
was used. The pH meter was checked with buffered reference solutions having a pH of 7 and a pH
of 10 and calibration was carried out if necessary. The electrodes were then introduced into the
slurry and the slurry was gently agitated to ensure a thorough wetting and the pH was read to the
nearest 0.1.

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